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## Pertinent Topics Discussed by H.C.

The barter game conducted by countries lacking in foreign exchange worked all right for a while. It is not working so well now. The oil that Mexico stole from British and American interests was sold to Germany in exchange for heavy machinery which Mexico sold at a sacrifice to South American countries, thus damaging Germany's markets. But Germany can't kick. It bartered its products for Brazilian coffee which it sold to Scandinavian countries at a sacrifice, thus damaging Brazil's foreign markets. If you take in barter more than you need, what are you to do with the surplus, but sell it for what you can get? The barterers hadn't thought of this, and now they are angry with each other.

Ottawa expects a number of French members will vote against the government on the military programme. The dissenters lack the leadership they would have had from Mr. King and Mr. Lapointe if some other party were in power, and are now thinking of running as independent, or as Liberals opposed to that one feature of the government's policy. Mr. King has been pretty fortunate politically but a couple of swashbucklers in Europe are making his position a bit awkward at this juncture.

Did you hear this one? Mussolini, Hitler and Roosevelt in conversation: Mussolini—"I had a dream that I am destined to control half the world." Hitler—"The Almighty told me I was destined to control the other half."

Roosevelt—"I told you no such thing."

Britain, France and the United States send their ships into Spanish waters to succor refugees blasted out of their homes by the guns and bombing planes of dictator nations. Choose ye this day which ye shall serve.

There are people in some sections of Canada bitterly opposed to war preparedness whose objections may have to be met by explaining to them that our preparations have no relation to Empire defence; that the armaments will not therefore be of much use and anyway the money is being spent in Canada.

We are a woefully inconsistent people. We sympathize with Chili, where thousands were killed by an earthquake, the while we speed up armament-building with a view to killing thousands of other people or to prevent ourselves being killed by them. It was a fault in the earth's structure that caused the calamity in Chili. It is a fault in human nature that led to the destruction of cities and towns in Spain.

It is probably true enough, as Hans Luther says, that Der Fuehrer is always careful to remain within the law. He broke the laws till he was in a position to make his own, and now he is a stickler for legality. If he now wants to do something not sanctioned by law, all he has to do is to repeal or amend it first.

## In the Days of Auld Lang Syne

TEN YEARS AGO  
Civic elections at Vulcan resulted in little change being made in the various boards which were as follows: Town Mayor, W. E. Butchart; Councilors: R. L. Elves, P. McAskie, F. L. Simington, G. C. Collier, Colin McInnes and W. D. Allan. Hospital board: A. Smith, W. G. Peterson, O. B. Roe, Wilson Oldfield and A. B. Mitchell. School trustees: Guy Denbigh, H. L. Greene, C. H. Hoskins, Mrs. A. T. Martin and W. L. Seaman.

## Presentation Made To Errett King At Banquet, Tuesday

Is Accorded Recognition And Appreciation Of Work Accomplished During Six Years as Mayor

Thirty-six friends of Mr. Errett King, retiring mayor of Vulcan, were guests at the Hotel Dobbs on Tuesday evening at a banquet in honor of Mr. and Mrs. King, given by Mrs. Dobbs. The guests sat down to a well appointed U-shaped table, beautifully decorated with roses and other flowers. Among the guests were Mr. P. B. Discher, mayor-elect, and Mrs. Discher.

Mr. W. A. Howes was master of ceremonies and introduced those who spoke briefly on the improvements accomplished by Mr. King during his six years as mayor. Messages were read from friends out of town who were unable to be present.

As a token of appreciation of his untiring efforts and earnest endeavor for the improvement in the town's financial condition, Mr. King was presented with a gold watch, suitably engraved. The retiring mayor thanked his friends who had worked faithfully with him and who had steadfastly lent him their support. Mrs. King was present with a sheaf of roses.

## Popular Young Couple Wed at Calgary, Feb. 12

Lockhart — Peterson  
A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Peterson, 3015-2nd St. and Roxboro Road, Calgary, on Sunday, Feb. 12th at 3:30 p.m., when their eldest daughter, Ruth, was united in marriage to Mr. Norman D. Lockhart, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Lockhart of Vulcan. Rev. J. N. Brunton of Edmonton, formerly of Vulcan, officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by her sister, Miss Evelyn Peterson, and Miss Ruth Lockhart, sister of the groom. Mr. Albert Collier acted as best man. The bride was lovely in an ivory sheer gown, accented with a ring of gold accessories, and wore a ring of sapphire and zircon, a gift from the groom. Her bouquet was of pink roses and lily-of-the-valley. Miss Evelyn Peterson, maid-of-honor, wore a gown of blue tulle and white lace and bridesmaid Miss Ruth Lockhart was attired in a gown of rose-colored net. Their bouquets consisted of pink carnations and blue iris.

A lace gown of beige over rust and corsage of Talisman roses was chosen by the bride's mother and the groom's mother wore black lace, with a corsage of American Beauty roses.

The wedding music was played by Miss Edna McPherson and during the signing of the register, Miss Kathleen Stack sang "The Day of Golden Promise." Spring flowers, white wedding decorations and Valentines formed a pretty setting for the happy occasion.

After the ceremony the fifty guests retired to the dining room where a buffet luncheon was served. A toast to the bride was proposed by Rev. J. N. Brunton, to which the groom appropriately replied.

Shortly after the reception the young couple left by motor on their wedding trip, which will be spent in Vancouver, Seattle and Los Angeles. On their return they will make their home in Vulcan.

## SUB-LOCAL OF A. T. A. MEETS

A meeting of the Vulcan sub-local of the Alberta Teachers' Alliance was held in the high school on Saturday, Feb. 4th, with fifteen teachers from Vulcan and the surrounding district present. Miss Neithal gave a report of the meeting of the Foothills local of the A.T.A. which was held in High River last month. An interesting discussion on topics of interest to all followed.

It was decided to hold the next meeting on Saturday, March 4th, in the Vulcan public school, when Mrs. Doney will give a paper on "Music Appreciation."

## Two-day Bonspiel Assured Success; Other Towns Well Represented

Local Rink Fails to Win at High River Bonspiel; Lyle Jones Lucky on Draw

The invitation bonspiel of the Vulcan curling club got off to a flying start Wednesday morning with 32 rinks entered and eight sheets of ice in play. Free lunches and garage accommodation and no entry fee had a favorable effect on the entry list, with 20 outside rinks registered. Skips of the rinks from the surrounding towns are as follows: Nanton—Spring, Clapperton, Rensch; High River—Merriman; Carmangay—Chalmers, Lawrence; Arrowwood—Beagle, Duncan, Norton; Brant—Jensen, Esler, Fletcher, Gothard, Gould; Blackie—Wellman, Meyers; Barons—Crows, Miller; Champion—Geo. Orr; Milo—Williams.

Twelve local rinks are also taking part in the various competitions, results of which will be published next week.

At present the local curling club is playing a square draw for the Royal Hotel cup. This year, as in previous years, the Royal Hotel, Calgary, is supporting the cup with four miniature cups. Play in the competition is being very keenly contested as every rink in the club is after the coveted cup and the miniature individual cups which become the property of the members of the winning rink.

The two rinks which journeyed to High River to take part in the two-day bonspiel at that town were unsuccessful in reaching the jewellery stage. However, they all report having an exceptionally good time, with 35 below zero weather assuring keen ice. The rinks: Dyce Allan, skip, Jack Wolfe, B. D. Lockhart and William Munroe; Tom Lebeau, skip, D. C. Jones, O. B. Roe and Cliff McAskie.

L. H. Jones skipped the National rink and was as successful in the 'spiel as the other Vulcan curlers. However, on the draw for a pair of curling rocks which were raffled, Lyle was very successful, as he held the winning number.

## Brief Items of Local Interest

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Willard have returned from a month's visit at the Coast.

Mrs. Caldwell of Edmonton, mother of Mrs. D. Nicol, is at present at the home of her son-in-law, Dr. D. Nicol.

A bridge and whist tournament will be held in the Reid Hill hall on Friday, February 24th. Each player is to bring his own partner. A good crowd is hoped for.

The Young People's Society of the United Church held a skating party on Friday evening. After skating, games and lunch were enjoyed in the Sunday school room.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Buehler, Miss Marjorie Hill and Mr. Art Herron, have left for a short trip at the coast cities. During their absence Mrs. McFarlane, of Strome, is remaining with the Buehler children at their home.

Have you been on a trip? Have you friends from out of town visiting you? Do you know of any happening or of any unusual event that others would enjoy reading about? The Advocate wants the news of the town and district and would appreciate your interest and assistance. Just phone 36 or drop a note in at the office.

Regular meeting of the Reid Hill Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. G. E. Drummond on Tuesday, February 14th, with Mrs. M. Hawkins as joint hostess. In observance of Valentine's Day, each member presented her Sunshine friend with a Valentine, and roll call was answered by reading of the verses on them. It was decided to hold a quilting party at the home of Mrs. Gordon McKay on February 23rd. A paper, entitled "Friendship" presented by Mrs. Rob't Todd, was much enjoyed. Mrs. McKay was appointed a delegate to attend the convention to be held in Calgary the first part of March. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. P. Bowie on March 14th.

## Scouts and Cubs Parents' Evening

Despite extremely cold weather, a good crowd attended the Parents' evening sponsored by the Mothers' Auxiliary to the Scouts and Cubs on Thursday night. Investiture of Bob Simington, Allan and Donald Walker and James Marshall into the scouts by the Scoutmaster, Russell Collier, proved very interesting. A short talk on "What It Means to be a Scout" by Bob Simington, followed by an account of the last summer's Scout camp given by Frank Hoskins, showed considerable ability on the part of the boys. Mr. Collier, assisted by Verne Parsons, put the scouts through a splendid demonstration of their tumbling exercises.

A make believe Major Bowes' amateur program, made up entirely of selections by the Cubs, with Elmo Johnston as a very convincing 'Major,' was particularly well done, and caused many favourable comments.

Mr. R. E. Pederson, as vice-president of the group committee, was chairman for the evening.

Mr. E. G. McPherson, on behalf of the sponsoring body, spoke on what the boys' aims should be, and the privilege it was to be members of such an organization. In the emergency when the lights failed for several minutes, Mr. McPherson proved himself capable of impromptu speech.

Mrs. F. B. Clark, on behalf of the Mother's Association, thanked the sponsoring body for the support they had lent the scouts and cubs.

Regret was expressed at Mr. and Mrs. Betton's inability to attend as had been planned, owing to weather conditions.

The mothers, assisted by the boys, served lunch.

## Coffee and Car Men's Hockey Game Ends in 2-2 Tie

Good Crowd of Spectators Treated to Display of Snappy And Not So Snappy Hockey

Last Thursday evening, a fast and furious game was played between two teams of hockey stars representing the Central Garage and the Marble Coffee Shop. The pace only slackened when the puck-chasers slowed down to get back their wind and the snappy passing plays and sensational end to end rushes displayed by both teams were truly remarkable. Although the weather was cold a good crowd was in attendance and the necessary precautions were taken by the players to fortify themselves against the sub-zero temperatures. The phenomenal performance of both teams was due to the master-minding of Boyd McKay, manager of the Central Nut Twisters and Floyd Atkinson, manager of the Marble Coffee Grinders.

The Grinders went into an early lead, Stephenson scoring the first goal on a pass from Snow. Stephenson took the major scoring honors in the game when he repeated in the same period, sinking Leverington's rebound to put the coffee-men in the lead by a 2-0 margin. In the third period the Twisters put on the pressure and tied the score, Nicol registering the garage-men's first marker. With three minutes of play left, Robinson scored with a long, hard shot to make the final score 2-2.

Another game between these two flashy teams is being arranged for the near future so watch the newspapers and listen to all the sport newscasts for the announcement of the date.

**The Teams**  
Central Nut Twisters—W. Little; K. Halstead, P. Lucas; K. Fisher, F. Fisher, J. Dahl; D. Nicol, C. Robinson, N. Lockhart, A. Collier, J. Clark.

Marble Coffee Grinders—C. Gerding; C. Snow, L. Leverington; H. Stephenson, D. Stewart, Arnold; Brownsworth, R. Flynn, Wray.

The high school and the Vulcan Aces tangled at the arena the same evening the former team winning by a 9-2 score.

## Routine Business at M. D. Royal Meeting

Set Wednesday, March 1st as Date When Court of Revision Will Be Held

The regular meeting of the council of the Municipal District of Royal, No. 158 was held in the office, Vulcan on Monday, February 6th, 1939. Reeve Bennett occupied the chair and councillors Roebuck, Spaeth, Bateman, Snow and Gordon were present.

The minutes of the meeting held on January 9th, 1939 were read and approved, on a motion by Mrs. Roebuck. The financial statement for the month of January 1939 was read to the council and adopted.

A letter from T. H. Noad, assessor was read. This brought up the matter of the setting of the date for the court of revision.

It was moved by Mr. Gordon and carried unanimously that the court of revision be held in the office on Wednesday, March 1st, 1939 at 10:00 a.m. It was moved by Mr. Spaeth and carried unanimously that a partition be built in the office through the centre, 2x4 studs, and shiplapped with a window and glass door.

A letter from the Richardson Road Machinery Co. in respect to the balance on road planer was read. It was moved by Mr. Spaeth, and carried unanimously that the balance of \$373.50 be paid.

Letters from stationery supply firms and the Stationery Dept. of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts were read to the council. It was moved by Mr. Bennett and carried unanimously, that the District obtain price lists from each firm.

A letter from the High River Municipal Hospital District was read. The letter notified the Municipal District that the offer of \$600.00 in payment in full of requisition was not accepted.

A letter from the Foothills School Division was read to the Council. The

## News Gleanings From Our Correspondents At District Points

### MAYVIEW

Miss Kay Moore was a Calgary visitor over the week-end.

A most enjoyable evening was spent last week when a number of friends gathered at the home of Gordon Clayton on the occasion of his birthday.

Mrs. L. E. Richardson is at present in Calgary owing to the illness of her mother.

A U.F.A. meeting was held Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sinclair. Further arrangements were made for the card party to be held Thursday, Feb. 16. Roll call was answered with quotations from the U.F.A. constitution. At the close of the meeting a quiz contest was conducted. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Smith on Feb. 23.

A Valentine tea will be held in the Sunday school room of the United church on Saturday, Feb. 18th. Everyone is welcome.

### BERRYWATER

Mr. Doug. Gill, of Calgary, was a recent visitor in the district.

Friends of Mr. McKenzie will be pleased to hear that he has sufficiently recovered from his recent accident to return home from the hospital and is a guest at the home of Mrs. O'Neil.

The Berrywater school children enjoyed a Valentine party on Tuesday.

Mr. Bill Hay and Mr. Harry Houlton were visitors in the district last week.

Mrs. Houlton and her daughter, Evelyn, were also recent visitors.

Friends of Mrs. Harry Douglass, Mrs. Orla Doane and Mrs. Rhys Herdman will regret to hear of the death of their grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte Carr at her home in Calgary, recently.

There will be a joint meeting of the Berrywater U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. at the school on Wednesday, February 22nd.

### ENSIGN

The final meeting of the ladies' bridge club was held last Wednesday evening and each lady brought a gentleman guest. Winners of the bridge tournament were: Mrs. P. L. Bourque and Miss Barbara Ford. Consolation prizes were awarded to Mrs. J. Brennan and Miss M. Johnson.

The card party under the auspices of the C.W.L. which was to have been held on Feb. 10th was postponed until Feb. 15th on account of the cold weather.

A surprise party in honor of Miss Gertrude Gerad was held at the Pleasant Grove school on Friday evening. About thirty guests were present. Dancing was enjoyed by all and a nice lunch was served by the ladies.

letter dealt at length with the matter of unpaid requisitions.

It was moved by Mr. Spaeth and carried unanimously that this matter be left over until next meeting.

An application for the appointment as auditor was read from H. E. Howard, C.A. This matter was tabled until next meeting.

A letter from the Hail Insurance Board in respect to the amount of taxes cancelled was read. Instructions were given to reply to the letter stating that the council was not responsible for the action of former employees in accepting hail applications on crown lands, in view of the fact that the Hail Board paid commissions for hail applications to secretary-treasurers who were considered to be agents of the board.

A circular letter from the Hail Insurance Board dealing with the liquidation of the old board and setting out a scale of discounts for payment of hail taxes in full. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter from the Canadian Legion asking that a delegate be appointed to serve on a committee to look after sending children to Calgary to see the King and Queen next May was read to the council. This matter was left until next meeting.

A thrift plan for Royaltite employees would encourage old age protection.



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**UNITED CHURCH NEWS**  
The junior choir contributed two pleasing numbers last Sunday evening, a solo by Frances Hawkins "Someone in here with a burden," and the anthem "Praise the Lord," by the choir. In the evening service Mr. Ralph Jamison gave an excellent rendering of the solo, "O Rest in the Lord."

This week's senior choir practice, Thursday, will be at the home of Mr. R. L. Elves. On Thursday evening at the manse at 7 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Session.

A leadership course on the "Formation and Teachings of the New Testament" is being held on Monday evenings at 8 p.m. The aim is to know more of the New Testament as an aid to Christian life.

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### REDISTRIBUTION

ALBERTA electors have long been clamoring for a reduced representation in the legislature. The plan most generally favored is to eliminate provincial ridings and follow the boundaries of the federal divisions, thus eliminating expense and confusion. This would bring total provincial representation to 17 members, a sufficient number to administer the affairs of 700,000 people. Their indemnity should be increased, with every man of cabinet calibre, and prepared to give full time service.

But there is no hint of anything so drastic in the proposed plans for redistribution. One plan offers a small reduction of members, but provides for the shift of population from the south to the north. The second plan promises a reduction of members to 56, by eliminating several southern seats, and cutting out one member each from the cities of Calgary and Edmonton. There seems no great difference in the two proposals. If either goes into effect, it is likely to mean the loss of identity of several southern seats and a probable increase of representation in the north.

Any elimination of southern seats, whether it be Pincher Creek, Taber, Okotoks-Claresholm or others, brings a sentimental reaction, which is difficult to overcome. The districts mentioned are amongst the oldest in the province from the standpoint of settlement. Moreover they are pre-eminently Anglo-Saxon in custom and tradition. It was the electors of these ridings who were amongst the first to prove Alberta's possibilities from a ranching and an agricultural standpoint. To a great extent they were the founders, paving the way for the later settlement which penetrated ever farther into the outposts of the north. It is some thing of a surprise to find the balance of population drifting from the southern part of the province to the north.

Doubtless, it is a natural outcome of settlement, but the fact remains that the more northerly areas which would benefit by increased representation are not so distinctively early Canadian. To suggest that representation in a government should be based upon length of residence in a country, or upon property holdings of the electorate would be contrary to the accepted basis of a Canadian elector's qualification. But generally speaking, those who have been Canadian for generations, whose every tie and tradition are Canadian, are more concerned for the permanent welfare of the country, than those who have lived here only a few years, and who in their hearts call some other country "home."

It is this thought that occurs to Southern Albertans when they contemplate the implications of the proposed redistribution. Their concern for the province is deep rooted. If they are to lose representation, they hope that those men who will be elected for the new ridings will be able men with a good background of Canadian residence and a substantial "stake" in the country.

After all, in the larger view, there should be no such thing as east or west, north or south, in any province. It is one for all and all for one, and it is probably true that northern interests have not been adequately represented in recent years.

### MAKE USE OF ABILITY

THE record of E. L. Gray during his management of the Eastern Irrigation District, is of a nature which should commend itself to the practically minded. Mr. Gray took a languishing agricultural project in hand and made a paying business of it. His field of administration covered all angles of farming, turning the land to uses to which it was best adapted, and which would prove most profitable. It has been shown that his interest was not confined to making a soulless commercial success, but that

he also gave thought to permanent development of the project in the interest of homes and general beautification.

Mr. Gray's accomplishment, which is a matter of record, should recommend itself to farmers and all interested in the stability of the agricultural fortunes of Alberta. He has proved that he understands farming and is an able administrator and organizer. It would be very short-sighted of the people of Alberta to fail to make fullest possible use of his proven ability as an administrator. Because this province is overwhelmingly agricultural in its interests, it is most important that any outstanding ability along such lines be encouraged.

On the other hand it will be very short-sighted of Mr. Gray to insist on the label of the Liberal party, or to hope to swing a large vote through any general allegiance to Liberalism (which is, provincially at any rate, little more than a meaningless word). The support which he deserves, on his occupational record, should be support for him as an able man, and not support for the Liberal party. The less he is associated with the party as a party, the farther he will get.

The same thing is true of the other parties—Conservative, and the now politically defunct U.F.A. There are able men in many phases of legislative business, in these parties. They may have been actively allied with some group in the past, but their ability should be used for the benefit of the province, not the party. And their entrance into the political field should be on their personal record of constructive success. What have they done in their lives to warrant their assuming any of the responsibilities of government? What have been their past interests? Have they administered a municipality successfully? Have they proved themselves good road builders in the modern sense? Are they interested in practical measures of health, education or social service? What is their soundest suggestion for the more capable handling of unemployment? Have they ever been responsible for the careful distribution of large sums of money?

These are just a few of the questions which any electorate should ask of any candidate. What has he to show in his past record? One can name numerous men—Mr. Gray, Mr. McFarland, Mr. Duggan, and so on—whose respective abilities in various lines would combine to give good legislative leadership. They are not untied theorists, nor impractical miracle chasers. They have demonstrated efficiency along lines that Alberta needs. The voters of the province will defraud themselves if they do not support men of proven ability in order to improve Alberta's position. The men who are ready for, and capable of, leadership, will be defrauding the electorate, and themselves if they do not submerge their petty differences, and join together in agreement to work toward one end, without party dictation or association. Leaders, and potential leaders know what the people want. Are they going to let small differences defeat their opportunity for combined service?

### WHO PAYS THE MINISTER?

WHO is paying the minister and helping to keep up the church? The Cranbrook Courier asks this question, and then follows it with a colloquy provocative of thought.

I am sure I don't know. I haven't contributed a dollar to the church this year. It is all I can do to feed and clothe my family and keep up my insurance and pay my club and lodge dues and do my part in little social entertainments, and buy gas to run my car.

I have to pay for haircuts, shaves, shins, permanent waves, shampoos and face-lifting. These fellows won't work unless they get the money.

I have to pay my doctor and my dentist or they will balk on me. I am glad I don't have to pay the minister. He goes right on preaching twice on Sundays and looking after our souls during the week. If you die, he will bury you and brae about you at the funeral without any fee. But the undertaker has to be paid promptly; I have to keep a little money on hand for an emergency like that.

I love my minister, and I love my church, and if I had anything left over after providing for the above necessary things, I would give a little to help support the minister and the church.

I know the minister is willing to baptize my children, marry them, and visit in the home in the hour of sickness and distress, but I shall have to let the fellow with more money pay him.

Some folks think that if you don't help to keep up the church you can't prosper. But that is not what is the matter with me, that I am broke. I went to church on Sunday and dropped a dime in the plate, but it didn't help, for I didn't make any more money than usual that week.

I would not mind giving a lot to the church if I knew I would get it back (as some say I will), but I am not willing to risk more than a dime on that kind of a gamble.

### C.N.R. Bluff About R.R. Co-operation

(Editorial From Chatham Gazette)

Is there no power in heaven or on earth to curb the orgy of expenditure by the Canadian National Railways of Canada? Each year it is costing the taxpayers of Canada \$50,000,000 to run this railway the way the present authorities are conducting it and the present year's deficit is estimated at \$60,000,000.

Now the management has actually entered on a plan to spend \$12,000,000 on terminal facilities in Montreal within a three-year period and it is a safe prophecy to make that within that time the C.N.R. will have added another \$200,000 to the people's taxes.

When the Special Committee of the Senate was sitting, last year, one of the choice parts of the plan to white-wash the Canadian National management was the elaborate drive to prove that it was really the wicked Canadian Pacific which would not co-operate. The Canadian National was pictured as being eager to co-operate.

One of the choice opportunities, according to the testimony of R. C. Vaughn, C.N. Vice-President, and S. W. Fairweather, C.N. economist, to save money was a general passenger pool. It was realized by all who gave

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"Woman says husband dead—unable to work."

"Woman says husband had illness that sounds like arthritis. May be arthritis."

"Applicant says wife is good house-keeper, can make fine dinner out of nothing."

"Woman says her four children keep her tied to the stove."

"Couple's only source of income is four boards, all out of work."

"Applicant and wife attend hospital for joint ailments."

"Woman is willing to struggle if given an opportunity."

"Applicant says he has two children and wife to boot."

"Applicant's wife is a lady and does not know what it is all about."

"Applicants had religious pictures all over the place; seemed clean however."

"Father former blacksmith. Hasn't struck anything lately."

"Could not locate O'Neill. Nearest thing to O'Neill in this house is O'Brien. He was not our man."

"Applicant typical real American. He is father of eight children."

"Family makes no effort to raise Over 1000 children of the oil fields will go to Calgary to see the King and Queen."

## Items From Bob Edwards' Inimitable Eye Opener

**Unfavorable comments on Banff; Concerning game decrease; that concert at Hootch; the passing of a lumber magnate; Calgary theatricals**

(High River Eye Opener—1903)

There is a tear mist on the eye glasses and the cigarette is out. The roan milk cow belonging to Peter J. McGonigle, editor of the Midnapore Gazette, is dead. Tuberculosis.

### Banff

As a national playground Banff is a failure. They have the mountains which God placed there. Nothing else. The government had really nothing to do with building the mountains. Scientists affirm they were there even before Brett and Andy Marsh came along, several years in fact. Tourists go and gaze at the mountains, take a hot bath, pay their hotel bill, and then scuttle to the depot to huddle in the waiting room for the inevitable late train. Officials visiting the park do not realize the lack of amusements. They are taken on pretty drives and receive special hospitality. But turn one of these lucky fellows loose alone in Banff and after he has stared at Rundle and Cascade, taken a drive at \$8 per, and a hot swim, what in thunder is there to do. Nothing but sit in the C.P.R. waiting room.

### Game Decrease

If utmost vigilance is not exercised by game guardians and police, there will soon be no game in Banff National Park. Some effort is expected from the government to preserve the ragged remnants of the game now roaming the mountains. All the blame is not laid on Banff. The Stoney Indians make a good clean-up of everything in sight, and there is no law to cover their case. Astounding though it may be, it is a fact that anyone can go into the mountains in open season and kill 500 head of goat and sheep, ewes and lambs. But he is prohibited from selling any of them, and would not be allowed to dispose of even a single one to anyone else. The game guardians should have a pair of strong field glasses, and a camera for dumb evidence.

### The Concert at Hootch

The nobility and gentry of Hootch were recently gathered in the school-house for a grand concert in aid of the Methodist organ fund. The concert was a splendid success, though unfortunately, the evening's program was not wholly completed. A well-known citizen had just finished a spirited rendition of "Death of Nelson" and great was the applause mingled with clamorous shouts for more. "Very well, dear friends," said the minister who was running things, "we will give you the Death of Nelson over again." "Oh you are oh" came from a man who had just rushed in the door. "Then if you'd tell Nelson that his barn is on fire, he might not make his death so dam lingering." Then everyone ran away to help put out the fire. Collection \$27.50 for the organ fund.

### Where Good Folks Go

J. D. Thompson, a prominent member of the Lumber Combine and the Methodist church, died last week. Building has stopped on the mansions in the skies, owing to the advance in lumber. An investigating committee has been appointed, composed of St. Peter, chairman; Martin Luther and Sir John A. Macdonald. It is feared in certain angelic circles that the investigation may result in a white-wash.

## Advantages of Prairie Route

Grande Prairie Herald Urges Benefits of U.S.-Alaska Road Over Western Canada

President Roosevelt's announcement of the United States contemplating the building of a first class highway through Canadian territory to Alaska with a view toward greater development of the North, and also to facilitate rapid transportation of military equipment should the occasion arise, has met with vigorous approval throughout this continent.

We all know that the shortest distance between the United States and its northern possessions is on the west coast between the state of Washington and the southern point of Alaska, close to Prince Rupert in British Columbia. The objections to selecting that region, quite apart from conflicting sectional interests, is its mountainous character which would mean high-cost construction and, from a military viewpoint, leave the road more vulnerable by sabotage and bombing from the air than if it is built east of the Rockies, up through Alberta and the North West Territories through the Mackenzie Valley toward Alaska. This route would offer comparatively few obstructions and, by virtue of the rich natural resources of the North West Territories, would render the enterprise a highly profitable undertaking from a commercial point of view.

We draw special attention to the well advanced mining activities in the Great Bear Lake area, famous for its rich ore and radium deposits, which at present have no other way of transportation than via the waterways or by air. Also, the federal project of a winter road already under survey, northward from Notikewau to Great Slave Lake is substantial proof that Ottawa knows that the resources of this route to Alaska warrants the expenditure of Dominion money.

Finally, there is the very logical and weighty argument that since the project will be federal, paid by the people of the United States and Canada, it is only fair and sensible that the road should be on this side of the Rockies, closer to the centre of our continent, so that the material benefits may be more universal than if the road is built through the mountainous terrain of British Columbia where the hazards of avalanches and the excessive moist snowfall of that locality would close the road part of the year.

—Grande Prairie Herald.

### INTERESTING ITEMS

Forty Jewish refugees passed through Calgary for Australia. They were not supposed "officially" to have money with them.

"Canada is not only the national playground of North America, but the best playground in the world," says Lord Tweedsmuir.

W. A. Crawford Frost of Nanton is one Alberta breeder who will have hereford stock at the Golden Gate Hereford Sale at San Francisco on Feb. 22.

Alberta government intends to cancel old farm debts amounting to \$4,000,000. Further cancellation of debts owing the government would be made in drought areas it was promised.

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## Pope Pius XI, "Pope of Peace," Dies at Vatican

Catholic Church Mourns  
Great Leader; World Mourns  
Peace-Loving Pontiff

Pope Pius XI died on February 10, at 81 years of age at Vatican City, Italy. His general health had been weakening since Dec. 1936, and a recent severe illness in November 1938, led to the final cardiac attack.

Described as "the Pope of Peace," Pope Pius XI, had exercised a great and beneficent influence on the world. His recent years had been shadowed by the Spanish war and entanglements amongst peoples whom he loved. In past years he had conducted a series of prayers, speeches and appeals for international understanding. He took issue with Mussolini on the anti-Jewish question saying:

"We do not want to separate anything in the human family, because it is clear that racialism and exaggerated nationalism is commonly spoken of mean barriers erected between men and other men, between folk and other folk."

His remarks drew fire in the German press. Fascist papers assailed his stand. For a time reports told of fears of a break between the Vatican and Italy.

But in succeeding months the Pontiff reaffirmed his beliefs that "exaggerated nationalism is a veritable curse," as quoted as saying there is a falsity in a totalitarian state, and protested against new Italian marriage laws banning unions between Italians and Jews.

This courageous and consistent po-

sition drew the admiration of the world.

The Pope had had the longest reign of any pontiff since Leo XIII died in 1903.

### Brilliant Scholar

Pope Pius' remarkable ecclesiastical career was heightened by his great scholarship. Universal peace was his dream. One of his greatest achievements was the Lateran treaty whereby the feud between church and state in Italy was ended. This was accomplished in 1929. Pope Pius had maintained that the spiritual and moral education of youth lay first with the church, then the family and lastly the state. Premier Mussolini maintained that children belonged to the state. It was the Pope's conciliatory genius that made possible a clearly defined agreement, between church and state, and freed Italy from the stigma of oppression.

It was on Feb. 6, 1922 that Cardinal Batte, archbishop of Milan, was elected to the highest office of the church and assumed the name Pope Pius XI. It will be remembered that in 1931 he gave expression to an appeal based on the right of the working man, blaming speculators and corporations for working injustices. In 1935 he intervened in an effort to keep peace between Italy and Ethiopia, refusing to condone war.

### Successor to Pope

Cardinal Pacelli ceased to be papal secretary of state, and became chamberlain of the Holy Roman church until the 262nd occupant of the papal throne is selected. The successor will be chosen by the college of cardinals in secret conclave, about February 25.

## Pertinent Topics Discussed by H.C.

(Continued from Front Page)

the proceeds for hospitals and universities. If we are to have sweepstakes they should be national and the proceeds should go toward the reduction of the national debt.

It was a piece of impudence for Mussolini to take so large a part in Spain and to declare that if France took a hand, Italy would regard it as a hostile act, but he got away with it because neither France nor Britain had any stomach for assisting the other side backed by Russia. At the same time, Stalin is now less of a menace to the world than either of the other two dictators.

When Chamberlain likened the position he is in to that which confronted Pitt during the Napoleonic wars he was not comparing himself to Pitt, nor was he comparing Hitler to Napoleon. We mention this merely to ease Napoleon's mind in case he was listening in. Hitler is like Napoleon in a few ways—he is not a big man physically and he has dreams of grandeur and greatness, and will stop at nothing to achieve his ends. Napoleon knew history and was skilled in mathematics and military science. Hitler's knowledge is meagre and there is no evidence that he is adding to it. In four years during which casualties alone offered a field for promotion he rose to be only a lance-corporal. No, the lance-corporal is not in the same class with le petit caporal.

Relieved because Hitler was more moderate than expected in his Reichstag speech, the whole world breathed a sigh of relief, and market prices that had slumped began to rise again. It is only temporary of course, Hitler is going to speak again in March and in the meantime his Italian partner carries on. Conditions, industrial and financial, will always be jittery so long as Hitler remains Chancellor of Germany. He is sadistic enough to enjoy making the flesh creep, and besides, he means to make economic conditions bad elsewhere since they are bad in Germany. If they become so bad there as to threaten his hold, he will have no hesitation in starting war to prevent internal disturbance, always the last resort of a falling dictatorship.

The deputies who cheered his speech must have been hypnotized if they did not note how illogical and contradictory some of his statements were. After asserting that they lie who say Germany threatens, he said that Germany would have to get her colonies back, if not by negotiation then by force. What is that but a threat? After saying that all Germany wanted of other countries was that they mind their own business and not interfere in hers, he told how he and Mussolini had by propaganda in other countries told the world what an enemy Jewry is to the peace of all

nations. He, a bachelor, who has been urging an increased birth rate, told the deputies that the root cause of economic conditions in Germany is over-population. Therefore he demands back the lost colonies although in his "Mein Kampf" which every German has to read, he says they cost more than they were worth. But the deputies as in duty bound cheered and hailed.

On the immediate danger his words were guarded. He would be behind Italy if Italy were attacked, but no one thinks of attacking Italy. If Mussolini wants Tunis or Nice or Corsica, he must do the attacking, in which case Hitler is not committed. He can always change his attitude, however, and improvise a reason, but Hitler has a poor opinion of Italians as soldiers, and, anyway, Mussolini has already delivered the goods in the case of Austria and Czechoslovakia, so why bother about a quid pro quo? That is not in Nazi philosophy unless it fits in with Nazi interest. Mussolini has made his bed—let him sleep in it if he can. Hitler is not going to join him in war against western powers in which he may be left holding the bag after Italy drops out as she very soon would. He is a dreamer, but his dreams are

## Tom Mooney And His Wife

Much has been written in glorification of Tom Mooney. Except for the extremists, most people were filled with satisfaction when he was pardoned by the new governor of California. There was admiration also for the wife that had stayed by him for all the years he had been imprisoned. She never lost faith in him. Our faith in Mooney diminished a good deal, however, when the announcement was made that he planned to divorce the woman who had been so loyal to him. There is something wrong with a man who accepts the fullest devotion from a woman when he is in trouble and then abandons her immediately he is out of the woods.—Lethbridge Herald

The world's rarest and most valuable metal is called Protactinium and is worth \$100,000,000 an ounce.

Out of every dollar that patrons pay to the picture shows, Cecil de Mille says 25 cents goes back to Hollywood.

pan-Germanic, and he has his own opinion of races that are not Nordic and therefore not born fighters.

# VULCAN MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT, No. 19 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1938

## — RECEIPTS —

Balance on hand at beginning of Financial Year—		
Cash	\$ 25.00	
Bank	\$ 3,584.97	\$ 3,609.97
Grants Received—		
Alberta Government	\$ 1,938.15	
Received on Patients' Accounts—		
From Patients	\$ 4,775.07	
For Indigent Accounts:		
From Municipal Districts	\$ 366.52	
From W. C. Board	\$ 90.50	\$ 5,232.09
Tax Requisitions—		
Town of Vulcan	\$ 1,552.50	
M. D. of Harmony, No. 128	\$ 1,411.64	
M. D. of Royal, No. 158	\$ 5,449.90	
M. D. of Dinton, No. 189	\$ 387.15	
Improvement District No. 127	\$ 2,456.42	\$11,257.61
Subscribers' Fees	\$ 450.00	
Minimum Taxes	\$ 92.23	
		\$22,580.05

## — EARNINGS —

Grants Earned:		
Alberta Government	\$ 1,932.30	
Patients' Fees Earned—		
Ward Fees	\$ 5,097.00	
Operating Room	\$ 94.00	
X-Ray	\$ 44.50	
Sundries	\$ 31.75	\$ 5,267.25
Interest on Unpaid Requisitions	\$ 947.03	
Bad Debts Recovered	\$ 6.20	
Tax Requisitions—		
Town of Vulcan	\$ 1,725.00	
M. D. of Harmony, No. 128	\$ 1,568.50	
M. D. of Marquis, No. 157	\$ 3,168.41	
M. D. of Royal, No. 158	\$ 6,055.44	
M. D. of Dinton, No. 189	\$ 387.15	
Improvement District No. 127	\$ 2,156.55	\$15,061.05
Subscribers' Fees	\$ 450.00	
Minimum Taxes	\$ 92.23	
		\$23,756.06

## — ASSETS —

Cash—		
On Hand	\$ 679.65	
On Deposit	\$ 6,563.15	\$ 7,242.80
Accounts Receivable—		
Hospital Patients	\$13,248.78	
Less Reserve for Doubtful Accts.	\$ 8,082.65	\$ 5,166.13
Provincial Government Grant	\$ 951.30	
Tax Requisitions—		
M. D. of Harmony, No. 128	\$ 1,181.33	
M. D. of Marquis, No. 157	\$ 8,657.26	
M. D. of Dinton, No. 189	\$ 456.90	
Improvement District No. 127	\$ 6,153.23	\$16,448.72
Deferred Charges—		
Supplies on Hand	\$ 425.00	
Unexpired Insurance	\$ 223.15	\$ 648.15
Real Estate and Equipment—		
Furniture and Equipment	\$12,345.76	
Buildings	\$40,236.80	
	\$52,582.56	
Less Reserve for Depreciation	\$23,979.97	\$28,602.59
Land	\$ 900.00	\$29,502.59
		\$59,959.69

## PAYMENTS

Administration—		
Salary—Sec. Treasurer	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Board Meetings	\$ 390.90	\$ 407.30
Stationery, Printing and Postage	\$ 199.14	\$ 299.31
Telephone	\$ 91.20	\$ 93.45
Insurance	\$ 28.20	\$ 71.95
Sundries	\$ 158.56	\$ 158.56
Total Administration	\$ 1,468.00	\$ 1,660.57
Professional Care of Patients—		
Salaries—Superintendent	\$ 1,241.45	\$ 1,241.45
Nurses	\$ 2,673.10	\$ 2,673.10
Supplies—X-Ray	\$ 63.23	\$ 163.23
Medical & Surgical Supp.	\$ 944.44	\$ 850.89
Total Professional Care of Patients	\$ 4,922.22	\$ 4,928.67
Kitchen and Dining Room—		
Wages	\$ 600.85	\$ 600.85
Bread	\$ 173.61	\$ 163.31
Milk and Cream	\$ 514.90	\$ 478.42
Groceries	\$ 482.51	\$ 478.16
Butter and Eggs	\$ 530.42	\$ 337.98
Meat, Poultry and Fish	\$ 754.81	\$ 716.49
Fruit and Vegetables	\$ 861.44	\$ 905.87
Total Kitchen and Dining Room	\$ 3,718.54	\$ 3,681.08
General House and Property—		
Housekeeping—Wages	\$ 212.00	\$ 212.00
Housekeeping—Supplies	\$ 132.37	\$ 142.22
Laundry—Wages	\$ 358.00	\$ 358.00
Laundry—Supplies	\$ 84.05	\$ 84.05
Janitor—Wages	\$ 674.98	\$ 674.98
Fuel	\$ 692.17	\$ 612.72
Light and Power	\$ 876.03	\$ 886.10
Ice and Water	\$ 122.90	\$ 122.96
Total House and Property	\$ 3,153.10	\$ 3,092.97
Maintenance (including wages)—		
Building and Grounds	\$ 194.03	\$ 166.93
Furniture and Equipment	\$ 437.88	\$ 461.28
Dry Goods	\$ 119.78	\$ 124.31
Total Maintenance	\$ 751.69	\$ 752.52
Total Running	\$14,013.55	\$14,115.81
Debentures—		
Interest	\$ 823.70	\$ 2,025.75
Stone Judgment—		
Principal	\$ 500.00	
Interest		\$ 188.77
Discount on Tax Requisitions		\$ 934.90
Balance on Hand at end of Financial Year—		
Cash	\$ 679.65	\$ 7,242.80
Bank	\$ 6,563.15	\$ 7,242.80
Total	\$22,580.05	
Amount of Reserves provided this year for—		
Bad Debts	\$ 800.00	
Depreciation on Buildings, Furniture and Fixture and Equipment	\$ 2,709.95	\$ 3,509.95
Total Expense	\$20,775.18	
Net Earnings for the Year	\$ 2,980.88	\$23,756.06

## — LIABILITIES —

Accounts Payable—		
Board Meetings	\$ 45.90	
Sundry Trade Accounts	\$ 524.11	
Overdue Debenture Instalments—		
Principal	\$ 5,393.86	\$ 9,166.60
Interest	\$ 3,197.79	\$ 8,591.65
Deferred Income—		
Prepaid Subscribers' Fees		\$ 42.00
Judgment Payable—Stone Judgment—		
Principal	\$ 3,000.00	
Interest	\$ 547.52	\$ 3,547.52
Funded Debt—Debentures—		
Principal	\$28,602.59	
Interest Accrued	\$ 615.54	\$29,218.13
Surplus—		
As at December 31, 1937	\$15,039.50	
Net Earnings for the Year	\$ 2,980.88	\$18,020.38
		\$59,959.69

We have audited the accounts of the Vulcan Municipal Hospital District, No. 19 for the year ending December 31, 1938, and have compared the said accounts with their relative vouchers and certify that in our opinion, the foregoing Financial Statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the financial affairs of the Hospital District according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us and as shown by the records.

Dated at Calgary, Alberta, this 6th day of February, 1939.

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### Bond Interest Cut Said Ultra Vires

Alberta Supreme Court Decides Reduction of Interest on Provincial Securities Beyond Provincial Power

In an Alberta Supreme Court decision, judgment was given in favor of the I. O. Foresters in appeal against the Alberta government in reducing bond interest. The I. O. Foresters holds provincial debentures amounting to \$373,000. The judgment found that only half the interest had been paid

since June 1, 1936. The Provincial Securities Act permitting this cut in interest was declared ultra vires because it is interest legislation and the province cannot legislate in this realm. Under the B.N.A. Act, the federal Parliament has conclusive authority in respect to interest.

Apples, potatoes and oranges will freeze at a temperature of 28 and 29 degrees Fahrenheit.

Over 1400 head of horses are entered for the Lacombe horse sale to take place on March 14, 15 and 16th. High River horse sale will take place some time in March.

### News and Incidents Gleaned From Papers of Other Alberta Towns

Brooks Board of Trade is distributing registered seed wheat to farmers of the district. It is hoped to distribute 1600 bushels. L. C. Charsworth, official trustee of Lethbridge Northern for 12 years is now manager of the E.I.D. . . . Hugh Stewart, horse-dealer of Montreal, bought a carload of horses at Claresholm, and could not credit that they had been wintering on the range. . . . Peace River Council is to take over the public library under public library act, spending annually at least \$100. . . . Banff has at last decided to cut the \$2 entrance fee for motor cars into the park to 50 cts. for the carnival. Banff press strongly supports the "back yard cabins" as meeting needs of people who cannot afford bungalow camps or hotels. . . . At Vegreville \$11,000 of total expenditure is available for public works, police, fire, lighting, parks, administration, etc. The total town revenue was \$70,467. . . . Innisfail Canadian Legion is sponsoring taking all children to Calgary to see the King and Queen. . . . Nanton school board will permit the use of school vans to take children to see the King and Queen, but will be responsible for no accidents. . . . Okotoks is short one councillor and 3 trustees. Apparently civic aspirants have gone on strike. . . . There are 1000 entries for the Lacombe horse sale. . . . A Bren machine gun, originally a product of the Skoda munition plants, recently taken over by the British government, is on display at Edmonton University. It weighs 22 pounds and can be carried as a suit case. . . . Nanton suffered a \$3,000 fire loss when Jenkins Grocery was burned in 35 below weather last Thursday. . . . Red Deer school board has authorized \$25,000 in debentures to build gymnasium and buy equipment. . . . It is expected that B. and B. will last 18 years, Davies 2 about 9.6 years in oil production.

### Vulcan Girls Defeat High River 6-3

Vulcan girls hockey club defeated High River 6-3 in a game played at High River Tuesday evening. A good crowd of fans was on hand and saw an exhibition of smart hockey, both teams putting up a keen game. The first period gave three goals to the visitors, scored by the Ulrich girls. In the second period High River scored twice with Elaine McNally and Laverne Cunningham getting the counters. But the Ulrich sisters again added one to make the count 4-2. In the third period Agnes Kuck scored on a pass from L. Cunningham, but the Ulrich combination shot in two more to make it 6-3 for Vulcan.

Vulcan—Craig, Parsons, Atkinson, Hoskyn, M. Ulrich, S. Ulrich, Anderson, Martin, Clark, Furley.

High River—Harper; J. Kuck, McNally, Cunningham, Windsor, A. Kuck Heywood, Ward, Merriman, Wright, Fletcher, Lawrie.

Referees—Woodward and McCorquodale.

### Stevens Urges Stop Bren Contract

Combined pressure is being put on the government to cancel the Bren gun contract. McNeil (C.C.F.) recommended that the contract and report on inquiry be referred to the committee on public accounts with recommendation to cancel the order. Hon. H. H. Stevens (Con.) declared it was a most unfortunate basis on which Canada could start huge expenditure for defence. Mr. Stevens said that while not disposed to attack the good faith of Hon. Ian Mackenzie or members of the staff, he believed that the contract was improvident and should be cancelled. Douglass (C.C.F.) suggested that the public accounts committee should examine the substance of the contract which Justice Davis had not commented upon in his report.

The point raised by Mr. Stevens was that the contract to the Inglis company, formed a precedent, for other expenditure for defence. He asserted that the contract could have been placed amongst a number of qualified contractors, whereas the Inglis' plant was not organized to handle the work.

The Calgary Unemployed Union has charged that relief has become a racket for authorities who will not face responsibilities. The government had done little but compel single unemployed to go out on farms to relief camps or to Ogden hostel. The fields of reforestation, irrigation, water conservation, housing and highways were constructive projects in which little had been done.

### Dormitory Plan Taber High School

Taber rural school division has solved to some extent the problem of rural high school education by establishing dormitories at Taber and Armada. The Taber dormitory serves 18 students and Armada 20. The dormitories are under the supervision of reliable people. Girls are housed in one dormitory and boys in another. The school division carries cost of providing suitable buildings, permanent equipment, heat, light, water, supervision and cook. The cost of these items to the division is running \$3 to \$4 per student per month.

Parents provide food, beds, bedding and room equipment. Cost to parents is about \$7 per student per month, of which not more than \$2 in cash is required. The balance is paid in credits for eggs, butter, vegetables and other food. The milk supply comes from cows belonging to the students.

Most of the work of the dormitories is done by the students on a regular alternating schedule. This includes preparation of vegetables, dish washing, waiting on table, cleaning rooms, caring for and milking the cows, etc. The routine is well observed and well controlled. Social opportunities of the life are appreciated by the students. Intelligent supervision is most important.

Taber school unit regards this as an advantage over the first year of operation when van services were used in transporting children long distances to some school centre. The difficulties were distance from graded high school high expense of boarding in any centre, and lack of supervision.

The school division found the costs heavy, and parents and divisional trustees got together to evolve the dormitory plan. The students under consideration were located in 18 different districts with an average distance of 12 miles from a high school centre, and distance up to 35 miles. A central rural high school was impossible to consider. A system of school vans was impossible to maintain over the roads, many of which were little travelled.

Hence the dormitory idea, and according to an article in the Lethbridge Herald, given opinions of students and parents, the dormitory plan is a real success. But proper supervision is emphasized frequently. There has been good co-operation between the Taber school and Taber division.

The total indebtedness of the C. N. Railways to the public as of December 31, 1938, was \$1,221,997,399 and the interest charges at Dec. 1937 was \$48,888,546. Meanwhile our governments refuse to tackle this problem, because of the fear they will lose the votes of railway employees at coming election.

### SPECIALS FOR THE WEEK

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### Church Notes

Sunday, February 19th

ANGELICAN CHURCH  
Feb. 22nd is Ash Wednesday and the first day of Lent Service will be held in St. Aldhelm's church at 8 p.m., when stereopticon slides illustrating our Lord's ministry will be shown. On Sunday, the 19th, Evensong will be at the usual hour of 7:30.

CHURCH OF CHRIST  
(Bible school at 10:30. Study of the International Sunday School lesson "Alcohol and Its Social Perils." "Every plant that my Heavenly Father hath not planted shall be rooted up." Matt. 15:13. Alcohol is not a created thing, God did not make it. Morning sermon following the communion service, subject "Other Refuge Have I None." Evening worship. Song service. Evangelistic message "Are You Deformed, Reformed or Transformed?" Everybody invited to attend.

UNITED CHURCH  
11 a.m. morning worship. Sermon, "Memories of An Old-time Needlepoint." Special music by the junior choir, 12:15 p.m. Sunday school. Adult Bible Class, "Social Perils of Alcohol." 7:30 p.m. evening worship. Sermon, "Lads and Lassies." Third in series on "Problems of Youth." Special music by the senior choir, 8:45 p.m. Young People's Friendly Hour. An open session to which all are invited. Mrs. D. Jantzie will speak on "Peace." The United Church extends a cordial welcome to all.

Mondays at 8 p.m., an adult Leadership Course on "The Formation and Teachings of the New Testament." All are invited.

### Qualifications To Get In Air Force

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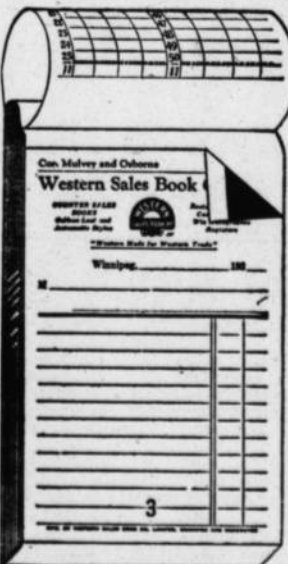
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